

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449B/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Date Submitted: August 11, 2006 <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>			Complete if Known		
Sheet	1	of	1	Application Number Filing Date First Named Inventor Group Art Unit Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number	Unassigned 08/11/2006 Peter EUTENEUER Unassigned Unassigned 016790-0508

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
/LF/	A1	2004/0141231	A1	HUND ET AL.	07-22-2004	
/LF/	A2	2004/0190128	A1	HUND ET AL.	09-30-2004	
/LF/	A3	4,691,997	A	MUCHEL	09-08-1987	
/LF/	A4	5,657,158	A	BAUMANN ET AL.	08-12-1997	
/LF/	A5	2001/0030801	A1	KAWASAKI	10-18-2001	

UNPUBLISHED U.S. PATENT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Application Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Filing Date of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Serial Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Office ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
/LF/	A6	DE	103 00 456	A1	LEICA MICROSYSTEMS	07-15-2004		ABS
/LF/	A7	DE	103 00 455	A1	LEICA MICROSYSTEMS	07-15-2004		ABS
/LF/	A8	DE	35 08 306	C2	ZEISS CARL FA	09-11-1986		ABS
/LF/	A9	EP	0 844 505	A2	NIKON CORPORATION	05-27-1998		
/LF/	A10	DE	195 13 870	A1	ZEISS CARL JENA GMBH	10-17-1996		ABS

Examiner Signature	/Lee Fineman/	Date Considered	04/25/2008
--------------------	---------------	-----------------	------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document.

⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.